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Ronald J. Tenpas, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, announced today that on August 25, 2005, three codefendants in a methamphetamine manufacturing and distribution conspiracy centered in Saline County were sentenced in United States District Court for their respective roles in that conspiracy. **JASON E. BOULDS**, age 28 of Harrisburg, Illinois, was sentenced to a term of 240 months (20 years) imprisonment and 10 years of supervised release to follow his incarceration. **DOROTHY J. AUD**, age 35 of Equality, Illinois, was sentenced to 262 months imprisonment and 5 years of supervised release to follow her incarceration. **ELVIS A. HARDIN**, age 25 of Harrisburg, Illinois, was sentenced to a term of 240 months imprisonment and 10 years of supervised release to follow his incarceration. The indictment, which was returned by a Federal Grand Jury in February, charged that these defendants were involved in a conspiracy to manufacture and distribute methamphetamine from January 2000 to the present. All three had previously pled guilty to the charges.

Under Federal law, parole has been abolished and defendants are required to serve at least 85 percent of their sentences.

Codefendants **JUSTIN R. CASTEEL**, age 21 of Harrisburg, **WAYNE A. COSEBOON**, age 25 of Eldorado, **GARY W. FARMER**, age 22 of Harrisburg, and **DAVID E. McSPARIN**, age 28 of Harrisburg, have also each pled guilty to conspiracy charges. Sentencing for COSEBOON and FARMER are set for September 15, 2005, and for CASTEEL and MCSPARIN on November 3, 2005.

Information for the indictment was obtained through the cooperative efforts of the Southern Illinois Drug Task Force, the Illinois State Police, the Multi-Agency Drug Enforcement (MADE) Unit comprised of the Saline County Sheriff's Department and the Saline County Housing Authority, the Harrisburg Police Department, the Saline County State's Attorney's Office, the United States Attorney's Office, and the United States Drug Enforcement Administration.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney James M. Cutchin.